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Daily Readings from the Bible

AUGUST

Morning Readings.	Evening Readings.
26. I Corinth, 15:12-49	Jeremiah, 52:17-34
27. " 15:50-16:24	Lamentat, 1:1-13
28. II Corinth, 1:1-24	" 1:14-2:5
29. " 2:1-3:11	" 2:6-19
30. " 3:12-4:18	" 2:20-3:27
31. " 5:1-6:10	" 3:28-66

SEPTEMBER

1. II Corinth, 6:11-7:16 • Lamentat, 4:1-20

Church News

VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Third Church: The pastor, Rev. H. J. Williams, has been sojourning in the Valley of Virginia during the month of August, and expects to return by first of September.

The pulpit has been supplied very acceptably for the morning services for two Sundays by Rev. J. B. Dare, of New York, and one Sunday each by Revs. J. M. Plowden and Hugh Fitzpatrick. This congregation has united, since July 1st, with Broadus Memorial, St. James, Third Christian and St. John's in a night open-air meeting on Chimborazo Park, with an average attendance of perhaps one thousand. This experiment has been proven to be highly successful. The meetings will be continued through September 3rd.

—At the First church, Rev. William J. Caldwell, of Yazoo City, Miss., occupied the pulpit, as did Rev. Dr. William H. Marquess, of the White Bible School, New York, at the Second church. Rev. Dr. Edward Mack, of Union Seminary, preached again at Grace Covenant church. Most of the pastors of the city will return this week and occupy their pulpits next Sunday.

Union Theological Seminary: The best news from the seminary this week is the news of Dr. Eugene Caldwell's recovery from the lameness which prevented him from meeting his engagements in July and August as director of the Lewisburg Conference and as leader of the Bible studies in the Chapman Evangelistic Conference at Montreat.

The large registration of new students indicates that there will again be a full attendance at the seminary. The session opens on the 20th of September.

Dr. Campbell Morgan, of London, whose James Sprunt lectures at the seminary were postponed for a year on account of the European war, writes that he is getting his lectures into shape and is looking forward with

pleasure to delivering them to the one hundred students in the seminary. But the students will not by any means be the only people who will enjoy them. His subject is one which Dr. Morgan has made peculiarly his own, "The Preaching of the Word," and there will be large numbers of ministers from all over the Church in Richmond at that time to hear them. The James Sprunt lecturer for the coming year is Dr. Francis L. Patton, thought by many to be the ablest minister in America. He will give the celebrated series of lectures on "The Theistic View of the World," which he has delivered in so many other centers of learning, and they will then for the first time be given to the whole public in book form under the imprimatur of the seminary. The lectures delivered on this foundation last spring by Dr. Kirk, of Baltimore, are now in press, and will appear this fall. Stalker, Ramsay, Burrell, Schauflier, Kirk, Patton, Morgan—the Church's debt to this great lectureship grows every year.

East Hanover Presbytery will meet at Lawrenceville, Va., on September 26th at 8 P. M.

ALABAMA.

Central Alabama Presbytery will meet in Wilson Memorial, Akron, Ala., October 12, 1916, at 7:30 P. M. All delegates will get off at Akron, Ala. Be sure to notify Rev. L. M. Flournoy, pastor at Akron, Ala.

I. C. Champney, S. C.

Auburn: Parents sending their sons to the college here will confer a great favor on us by writing us of that fact, by encouraging their boys to attend our Sunday-school and church and to bring their church letters with them.

T. J. Hutchison,

Pastor.

Carmel: The Rev. J. W. Rosebrough, assisted the Rev. W. O. Stephen in a meeting here in the latter part of July, which continued for eight days. The farmers had been delayed with their work on account of the unusual amount of rainy weather, which interfered some with the meeting, but considering the conditions we think we had a very good meeting, with good congregations and fine attention, there were, besides the good that results from such a meeting, two additions on profession of faith.

Oxford: The Rev. T. D. Cartledge, of Jacksonville, Ala., closed a splendid meeting here Monday night, August 14th, assisting the Rev. W. O. Stephen. Brother Cartledge delighted the people with the excellency of his gospel preaching, and his personal association with our people. In addition to the great benefit that resulted from such preaching, three young people were received on profession of faith.

ARKANSAS.

Tates Bluff: We closed a good meeting here August 20th, which had five days. The pastor, Rev. E. M. Munroe, D. D., was assisted by Dr. J. C. Williams, of Prescott. The services were well attended, and five were received into the membership of the Presbyterian church on profession of faith.

Synodical Conference: The first mountain Synodical Conference was held at Womble, beginning July 30th and ending August 13th. The services were held in an excellent arbor built on the bank of the Caddo River. The arbor seated about five hundred people, and was filled several times. The Young Ladies' Society of the Pine Bluff church contributed a large tent, which was named "Norris," in honor of their pastor. This tent was used as a rest and writing room. Two barrels of iced sulphur water were

kept here. Other tents were placed in the beautiful grove along the river-side. There were a number of attendants from different parts of the State, and all expressed themselves as delighted with the situation of the encampment.

Four services a day were held for most of the time. Dr. J. I. Norris, of Pine Bluff, was the principal preacher. By his personality and bearing, as well as by his splendid sermons, he won the hearts of the people and did a work which was deep and abiding. Others who assisted in the services were: Rev. Clyde Sheltman, of Arkadelphia; Rev. E. D. Brown, D. D., of Stamps; Rev. J. L. Read, of Little Rock; Rev. J. L. Stitt, of Princeton; Rev. T. A. Spooner, of Glenwood, and Rev. Clem Baker, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, besides Revs. C. G. Ferguson and J. T. Barr, of Womble. Mrs. H. N. Street, of Lonoke, gave a series of educational and inspirational addresses to the ladies and children. Mrs. Street is unusually blessed with gifts and graces, and was a blessing to others both in her public and private labors. The night services were evangelistic, and opportunity was given the visitors to do much effective personal work. There were fourteen additions to the church at this place, and about the same number of professions of faith. Hearty co-operation was received from the local churches of other denominations, and much was done to increase Christian fellowship in the community. Our mountain work was given a stimulus which will give encouragement to future efforts. Many from beyond the bounds of the community attended the services.

The funds which were used in preparing for this meeting were furnished by the ladies of the Arkansas Synodical. It is hoped that Synod will endorse the movement to have an annual encampment at this place, and that our people will come to realize the beauties of our own mountains. The visitors greatly enjoyed the bracing atmosphere, the cool nights and the lovely hills and streams. Bathing and boating were favorite forms of recreation. Some made excursions to such places as the Crystal Mine, from which many of the famous Hot Springs diamonds are taken; Crystal Mountain lookout station, which is used by the United States foresters, and affords a panoramic view hard to excel; and the Gross Sulphur Spring and the hot springs at Caddo Gap. But the most helpful feature of the gathering was the communion of Christian fellowship and mutual inspiration. From the standpoint of figures, the conference was a small thing, but it is not to be despised. If it is made permanent, its possibilities are limitless. This opportunity is taken of thanking all those who contributed to the success of the gathering by giving funds or tents or prayers.

Presbytery of Arkansas will meet in regular session in the Presbyterian church at Newport, Arkansas, on October 17th, at 7:45 P. M.

T. J. Horne, Stated Clerk.

Ebenezer: A series of services was held here, which lasted for a week, two sermons each day. With the exception of two or three, the sermons were serial in form, with Matt. 6:10, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven," as the text for the series. It was understood that this was to be a meeting for the purpose of reviving the church, and to further impress this idea, it was agreed that no one would be allowed to join the church at this time. The interest increased and the congregations grew in number throughout the meeting. The closing night an opportunity was given and the members of the church, with a number of others,

dedicated themselves, some anew, others for the first time, to the advancing of the kingdom in the earth. The Sunday-school has taken on new life, and heads of families, who have heretofore not done so, are now leading in public prayer.

Marianna: There were ten additions to the church at the close of the service Sunday morning of the third Sunday. We have been very busy in different parts of Lee county this summer. Going out with auto and singers on Sunday afternoons we have reached many points where they have no regular preaching services. We have had great numbers of men come for prayer. Mothers, old and ripe in years, are accepting Christ and begging to live for him. Young people are turning to the Lord under the appeal of more active services in the churches. A great awakening is taking place over this county. On the first Sunday of August we closed a week's meeting at Oak Forest with eight additions. We have just closed a ten days' meeting at Gill, Ark., a little town about fifteen miles from Marianna. There were twenty-eight additions to the Presbyterian church. Others united with other churches. This is a very neglected region. Plans were started to build a church there right away. At present they have no place for Sunday-school or church. The meeting being held under a big lumber or plank arbor. Nobody would appreciate a church any more than some of these good people would. A few years without a church will tell upon the young people in these parts. Other places in the county we hope to reach as we are able. The Marianna church is the only Presbyterian church in this county. Operating from Marianna as a center we are putting on the strongest Home Mission program we can. Humbly and grateful for the opportunities of our church, the Lord is with us. Mrs. Johnston and the children have spent the summer with her father in Dallas. The writer will take a short vacation later in the season. The summer months is the time we can do the best work here. So we work on now and rest after.

W. K. J.

GEORGIA

Macon: The pastor of the First church, the Rev. R. E. Douglas, D. D., has spent the month of August on his vacation visiting relatives on the Massachusetts coast and in Kentucky. The regular church work was carried on by the officers and the pulpit occupied by pulpits supplies. The pastor of the Vineville church, Rev. J. H. Owens, D. D., has spent his vacation in New Jersey visiting his daughter. His pulpit was filled part of the time by Rev. J. T. Wildham, pastor of the East Macon church. This little church is supported in part by the Vineville congregation. The services of the East Macon church were conducted by different laymen of the congregation. On the second Sabbath of the month their former pastor, Rev. C. B. Currie, now of Alabama, preached for them. The Jeff Davis Street church is now vacant, as its former supply, Rev. E. A. Thomas, has gone into business in Atlanta. The Sunday "evening services" of the Tatnall Square church have proved very popular this summer as the growing congregations attest. The pastor, Rev. Percavall Campbell Morgan, did not take a vacation this summer.

Climax: As a result of a meeting held by Rev. J. W. Stokes, assisted by Rev. R. B. Anderson, at a mission point in Boydville, two new members were received on profession of faith.

Perry: Rev. A. G. Irons has just closed a very successful meeting at one of the country mission points. Four

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